

Sunday, March 21st, 2021 5th Sunday of Lent Morning Prayer Service

2021 Theme: Revive, Restore, Renew

This Sunday Roster

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Maria

Worship Leader: **Fenella Chiu** Reader: **Belle Li**Intercessor: **Justin Kim** Host: **Terence Kim**

Introduction before starting service – Fenella Chiu

We invite parishioners joining the live online service to join in on responses as you would in regular worship, but please note that all will be muted except for those scheduled to serve in the worship. This service will be recorded and subsequently posted to our website.

Opening Sentence (P. 294) – Fenella Chiu

Anyone who serves me must follow me, says the Lord, and where I am, there shall my servant be also.

John 12:26

The Peace (P.192) – Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Grace (P.185) - Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Confession (P.45) – Fenella Chiu

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty

God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness

by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Absolution (P.46) - Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver

you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ

our Lord.

People: Amen.

A Reading from Jeremiah 31:31-34 - Belle Li

Reader: A New Covenant

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader: The word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn – Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights

1. Throughout these Lenten days and nights We turn to walk the inward way,

Where meeting Christ, our guide and light, We live in hope till Easter day.

- 2. The pilgrim Christ, the Lamb of God, Who found in weakness greater power Embraces us, though lost and flawed, And leads us to His rising hour.
- 3. We bear the silence, cross and pain Of human burdens, human strife, While sisters, brothers help sustain Our courage till the feast of life.
- 4. And though the road is hard and steep, The Spirit ever calls us on Through Calv'ry's dying, dark and deep, Until we see the coming dawn.
- 5. So let us choose the path of one Who wore for us the crown of thorn, And slept in death that we might wake To life on Resurrection Morn!
- 6. Rejoice, O sons and daughters! Sing And shout hosannas! Raise the strain! For Christ, whose death Good Friday brings, On Easter day will live again!

Accompanist: Daniel Yoon

Hymn leaders: Daniel Yoon and Ada Lam

Music : Thomas Tallis

Words: James Gertmenian

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Gospel John 12:20–33 – Rev. Maria Ling

Reader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *John*.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: Some Greeks Wish to See Jesus

²⁰ Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹ They came to Philip, who was from

Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.'

Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

Jesus Speaks about His Death

²⁷ 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' ²⁹ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' ³⁰ Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹ Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' ³³ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon - Rev. Maria

The Apostles' Creed (P.52) – Fenella Chiu

Leader: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Prayers of the People (P.121 Litany 14) – Justin Kim

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: Cantonese online retreat

Deanery: St. Thomas a Beckett; Rev'd David Matthews

Diocesan: York Mills Deanery
Anglican: The Church of England

Infirm: Esther Chen, Susan Xu's mother Dian-Lan Feng, Vanky So,

Mrs. Tsang Fung Kwok Wah, Ms. Lee (Enoch Ho's mother), Carol Shih's mother, Lisa Cheng, Grace Krist's father in Vancouver

Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor Intercessor: With confidence and trust let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

Intercessor: For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world, we pray to you, Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it

may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to

you, Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For those preparing for baptism and for their teachers and

sponsors, we pray to you, Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and

reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, we

pray to you, Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer;

for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be

relieved and protected, we pray to you, Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you,

Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of

God, we pray to you, Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day (P. 295) – Justin Kim

Intercessor: Let us pray.

All: Most merciful God,

by the death and resurrection

of your Son Jesus Christ,

you created humanity anew.

May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (P.54) - Rev. Maria

Celebrant: Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as

our Saviour taught us,

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your

kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing (P.683 ii) - Rev. Maria

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your

hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of

his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be

among you and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

Announcements

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Dismissal – Fenella Chiu

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Next Sunday March 28 at 11am

Palm Sunday Joint Online Morning Prayer Service Roster

Celebrant: Rev. Maria Preacher: Billy Ng

Worship Leader: Joel Chiu Reader: Tammy Pang, Charles Doiron

Intercessor: Grace Liu PPT Compiler: Fenella Chiu

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